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EDITORIAL

OUR BASEBALL TEAM

The Appomattox baseball team in the Skyline League is a credit to the town and county of Appomattox. The team is now tied for first place in the league. It is playing a fine brand of baseball. It deserves the support of Appomatox people.

Saturday afternoon the local team has one of its hardest games of the entire schedule. At 3:15 at the Lee Theatre park Appomatox will play the powerful Craddock-Terry team.

Local ball fans should come out by the hundred to see this game, to see a splendid ball game and to support and encourage the home team.

We in America schuld be proud that we can go to baseball games instead of listening to a dictator's harangue or hiding underground in an air-raid shelter!

THE "PEACE PARTY"

A great effort is being made to label the Democratic party as the War Party and thus discredit in the minds of those voters who shudder at the thought of American men again in war and who dread the economic aftermath of another war. But let it be recalled that it was the Democratic Party which gave to America and to the world its greatest chance for peace . . . namely, the ideal of an invincible League of Nations!

But for the Republican Party the United States would have joined the League of Nations in 1920 and made it so strong that there would have been no invasion of China by Japan, no invasion of Africa by Italy, and no rise of Hitlerism in Germany.

The actual League of Nations set up after the war was doomed to failure from the start. It was merely an international clearing house for minor problems. Its sponsor and its strongest potential supporter was persuaded by the Republican Party to join the league. Henry Cabot Lodge, the Senator William E. Borah and Hiram Johnson formed the spearhead of Republican majorities keeping America aloof from the league.

We firmly believe that there would have been no such decade as the "Turbulent Thirties" had America joined the League of Nations and done its part to make its arbitration table safer than its arms salesman the wielder of world destiny.

Woodrow Wilson was the contribution of the Democratic Party and of the people toward what is bringing about the Golden Age of Peace. When the Herald of Peace was in our midst, he was scorned and repudiated . . . even as was the Prince of Peace crucified.

Now that the barbaric policy of "dog eat dog" rules the world, let those who will remember that there was a time when civilization might have been spared the awful tragedy of the present war era.

The lengthening shadow of Woodrow Wilson will be the one hopeful landmark future generations will across the graveyard wherein the hopes of peace and progress are buried.

TERMS OF PEACE

Those who long for lasting world peace have been wondering what sort of terms Germany would give. The answer date is that the terms are the same severe terms that usually follow wars and that sow the seeds of hate bringing forth only a harvest of more wars.

Great peace terms were made at Appomattox on April 9, 1865. They were great terms for 75 years no war has been renewed between the contestants. European peace terms have always been armistice terms, the contestants have gone right back to war as soon as new armies and new cannon fodder could be gathered together.

The world still awaits a leader who can have the greatness to impose true peace. The present war may end in a few months. But there is absolutely no indication that the ensuing peace will be anything but an armistice. Whoever wins, they will be fighting it all over again by 1955.

AFTER 164 YEARS

It is now 164 years since the adoption of our Declaration of Independence, and this year's anniversary finds the United States in real danger of having to fight again for the liberties which that immortal document and the Constitution provided for the people of this nation.

We have too long taken these liberties for granted, and until recently have failed to realize that they might be wrested from us, either by foes from without or foes from within— and we have both.

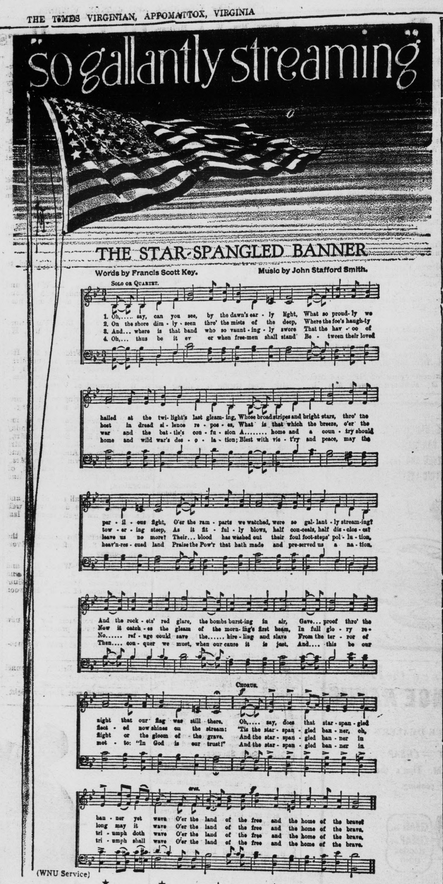
There can no longer be doubt in the minds of informed persons as to the fact that the fate of all Democratic nations is at stake in the present war. There may be honest differences of opinion among patriotic citizens concerning how America should proceed to meet the situation which unfortunately exists, but it would be folly not to recognize its existence.

Overconfidence and stupidity combined have brought disaster to France and other nations of Europe, and have brought the British Empire dangerously near the brink of ruin. These former Allies of the first World War permitted Hitler to flout the Treaty of Versailles and to tear it to pieces, bit by bit. Then they lost the fruits of victory won in 1918 after more than four years of struggle and sacrifice.

The vital question for the United States at this moment is how to best protect our people against the loss of our own liberties, which have been enjoyed for more than a century and a half. The answer must be prompt and decisive. There is danger even now that we have waited too long.

New Federal defense taxes went into effect Monday.

Hitler makes suiet inspection of Paris.

Republicans nominate Wilkie.

How well do you know "The Star Spangled Banner," America's national anthem? Here before you is your opportunity to memorize the thrilling words, to sing the inspiring song, and to play its music. What day more fi than on Independence day to get better acquainted with the deep, inspiring Americanism Francis Scott Key put into his masterpiece as "Oe'r the ramparts" he watched and saw the flag still proudly waving.

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TODAY, as from the very foundation of our nation, Liberty is the American ideal, come down to us these many years purified by the blood of martyrs.

It is this great doctrine of Liberty which distinguishes Americans from any who have not had our long tradition of political and human freedom. And were it preached by tongue most eloquent, the philosophy of repression and oppression, of class against class, of creed against creed, and of human thralldom to a dictatorship, shall ever remain alien under the Stars and Stripes.

Never shall Americans exchange Liberty and Democracy for the slavery of authoritarian ideology.

"O'er the ramparts we watch," wrote Francis Scott Key,

"O'er the ramparts we watch" today, too. And as long as we hold to the American ideals of freedom, we shall continue to see our flag "so gallantly streaming."

FAMINE IN EUROPE?

Typical of the problem of deciding what is propaganda and what is real truth is the question of whether or not there is truth behind the statements we are now reading that Europe faces famine this winter.

News from Europe, both by the press and the radio is rigidly censored. We cannot accept all that we read and all that we hear as fact.

It has been pointed out that it is to BOTH Germany's and Britain's advantage to have America believe that Europe faces starvation during the coming winter. From Britain's standpoint it would make us feel that the naval blockade is still effective and that the Allied cause is still not without hope provided America sends a steady stream of materials and equipment. And from the angle of Germany, it is of advantage to have America send food to the people of France, Belgium and Poland because that will mean that much less drain upon German supplies and transport. Add it up and what do you get? Probably a mixed answer. Europe will see much suffering during the coming winter BUT probably not as much as the propagandists would have us believe.

CANDIDATE WILKIE

There is no denying that the Republican party advanced its strongest possible candidate for the Presidency when it nominated Wendell L. Wilkie. The nomination marks a triumph for new blood in the G.O.P. The party stalwarts and reactionaries took a defeat. Wilkie will appeal to the popular mind far more than any other candidate considered.

Frankly, the Democrats can almost claim Wilkie themselves for he voted the Democratic up until four years ago. He is newer to the Republican party than is for example, Harold L. Ickes to the Democratic party!

Our chief regret is that the overshadowing problem of world affairs will dominate the coming election to the extent that important domestic issues will not figure so prominently in the campaign.

The Democrats meet July 15 to name their standard-bearer. Then the great campaign will be on. From then until November America will have an exciting time.

Let us do your job printing.

Germany continues air raids over England.

For royalty use a Classified Ad.

Colored Dots

Father Washington's Day was observed at the First Baptist church Sunday. There was a good attendance throughout the day.

Those who represented the Galilee Baptist Sunday School in the literary contest Sunday at St. Paul were Miss Mildred Flood and Misses Elaine and Majorie Patterson. There was a tie for the first prize between the Galilee and the St. Paul Sunday Schools.

Professor R. Q. Lawing is home again after spending a few weeks at Virginia State College.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Johnson spent last week in Washington, D. C. and Berryville, Va.

Senate committee approves Stimson for cabinet post.

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IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL
SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS
By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D.D., Dean of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.
(Released by WNU Service.)

Lesson for July 7

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JOB TEMPTED BY SATAN; GOD'S GOODNESS

LESSON TEXT—Job 1:1-22; 2:1-10.
GOLDEN TEXT—In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.

Poetry has its own language of the soul, beyond the reach of the mind. It seems to pour forth through the poetic channel of one reason why Charles such a response in hearts as they read the majestic words of the Bible. For by months we are to be privileged to carry on a study of the poetry of the Bible. None of it is more single lesson.

The book of Job beautifully solves the fundamental problem "What is the meaning of the suffering of the righteous?" In this lesson presents Satan as the adversary and accuser of men, but reveals that man may successfully resist him by faith in God.

I. Satan's Accusation (1:1-12).

The lesson opens with a picture of heaven, where the angels of God present themselves before Him to account of their activities. Satan is there as the adversary or accuser of men's souls. He is restrained by God's permission in the matter of Job's faith, destroying his property and taking away his family (see Job 1:13-19), but he did not destroyed Job's trust in God (1:21).

Now Satan had a new accusation, namely, that Job could not be trusted of his children and to whom God would permit him to do so. If he be afflicted, he would do so, is the familiar refrain. Satan would lie about the saying, "He is in it to get out of it." Those who would do well to recognize the falsity of their calumny; for a time with Satan when they are the Lord's work.

II. Spiritual Integrity (1:13-22).

The trial of Job was severe for only his life was spared. His affliction was evidenced by the sores of boils on his skin which have been bad enough, but his systemic condition with which his whole body sick and his clothes repulsive as to be unrecognizable by other people (see Job 2:12; 16:8; 19:17-20).

Not only did he suffer physically within an inch of his life, but he was subjected to the mental anguish and torture of having the men whom he have stood by him-and-vote him to renounce his faith in God and die. Many who have had the misfortune of casting physical pain upon others down under spiritual oppression. Job still maintained his integrity.

Why God permitted Satan to do this he did not yet know. But he knew God and he was confident that from His hand evil could not come (v. 10) as long as he knew his Father was in control. He had implicit testimony!

III. Sympathetic Friends (2:1-10; 11-13).

His wife and neighbors misunderstood Job, and even the friends on the street despised him. But he did have three friends who came to God for friendship and comfort in his hour of need. These friends apparently came from a distance (vv. 11, 12) as a token of sacrifice of time, effort and money. Friendship that does not cost something usually doesn't amount to anything.

Note the intelligent and sympathetic manner in which they approached his sorrowful (v. 12) and sorrowful (v. 13) friend. They wept with him, not saying a word, for words of deepest need would be inadequate and often only add to the sorrow, but how much it must have meant to Job's hour to have someone to sit silently, and yet give comfort by standing by. One could wish that his friends had continued in this attitude and not later have added to his discomfort by many bitter words, including but foolish words which God had to condemn in the end (see found in Job 42:7, 8).

We shall see the solution to the question regarding suffering in the lesson for July 21 as Job's experience is brought to a glorious climax and to see himself as he really is in the light of God's holiness. Then, after a period through testing, stands forth himself and to his fellow men as he is worthy of our confidence that faith in Him will see us through the deepest sorrow and the severest trial.

Roots of Evil

To abolish evil its roots must be dug up and exposed to the sun where they will wither away. These roots thrive in darkness are cancerous.

No More Trouble

Ye shall see no more vain visions nor divine divinations, for I will deliver my people out of your hand: and ye shall know that I am the LORD. Ezekiel 13:23.

"5th Column" Attacks Our Evergreen Correspondent!

Other Evergreen Items

(July 2.—Recently while [illegible] some valuable household [illegible], while making [illegible] Miss Berta Cralle, an [illegible] of this place, had [illegible] as well as an un- [illegible]. By some [illegible] snake had successfully [illegible] himself among the [illegible] ing of a friend- [illegible] and also to show its [illegible] as his snakeship [illegible] presence, proceeded [illegible] his hostess by [illegible] about her person. [illegible] told me that as soon as [illegible] herself from the [illegible] unwelcome visitor she [illegible] her nephew who was at [illegible] and the snake was killed.

Some of my readers will [illegible] last summer [illegible] berry picking while the [illegible] Well, that was [illegible] months we are to be privileged to carry on a study of the [illegible] Bible. None of it is more [illegible] single lesson.

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Maple Grove Home-Coming

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all of Darlington Heights. Miss Nelly Baker will spend a week with Mrs. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Lum and daughter, Wilma of Petersburg were recent guests of Mrs. Pearl Glenn.

Miss Wilma Lum will spend the summer with Mrs. Glenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Inge and children of Roanoke visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Garrett Sunday.

The Inge children will spend this week with Margaret and Louise Garrett.

W. W. Farrar, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrar and Wesley Farrar attended the Maple Grove church home-coming Sunday.

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Scavenger Hunt

The girls of the intermediate class of the Hebron Daily Vacation Bible School were entertained Friday evening with a scavenger hunt given by Miss Nellie Turnes at her home.

Prizes were awarded to Ben Wheeler and Miss Margaret Stratton, Marshall Stratton and Miss Byrd Vaughan for finding the largest number of articles on the list. After the hunt the guests gathered in the dining room where Miss Nellie Turnes presided at the punch bowl. Those present were: Misses Margaret Stratton Lily B. Davidson, Martha Thornhill, Louise Carson, Rachel Chick and Barbara Caldwell, Nadine Burnette, Elizabell Caldwell, Byrd Vaughan and Louise Turnes; Ben Wheeler, Joe O'Brien, Marshall Stratton; Marvin Taylor; Jack Caldwell, Jr.; Aubrey Burnette; William Carey Caldwell; Tom Davidson and Elvin Caldwell.

Europe being forced to adjust itself to German economy.

Drive carefully on that Fourth of July trip.

Appomattox now tied for lead in the Skyline league.

Vegetable Laxative Has Important Points

Most people want a laxative to do three things: (1) act punctually, (2) act thoroughly, (3) act gently.

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State Highway Department plans to resurface Church Street here this summer.

Large crows enjoying recreational facilities at Holiday Lake.

New Federal defense taxes went into effect Monday.

Appomattox is a growing town.

Be courteous to tourists.

Be thankful you are in America this Fourth of July.

Report more American flags being sold than in past ten years.

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A bank account is the best of Friends.

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EVERY loyal American wants to see his country prepared to meet any emergency—and a strong nation needs strong railroads.

The very size of the United States and the need for mass movement of men and supplies over long distances make railroads the foundation of national defense, as well as of our normal transportation system. Other forms of transport which ordinarily haul about one-third of our commerce supplement the railroads, but cannot take their place.

So it's sensible to ask, how is the nation's No. 1 transportation set for doing its job?

And a compact answer to that question is:

In speed and operating efficiency the American railroads today are at the highest peak in their history.

That's a strong statement. Here are the facts—

The average speed of freight trains today is 62 per cent higher than in 1920, at the close of the first World War period. Today, each freight train actually performs more than twice as much transportation service as twenty years ago.

Operating efficiency was tested and proved between August and October, 1939, when the railroads handled the biggest increase in traffic ever recorded in so short a stretch of time—and handled it with such smoothness and skill that in the busiest week there was a daily average of 64,239 surplus freight cars in good order and ready for duty.

All this didn't just happen. Despite lean years railroads have recognized and met their obligation to keep fit. Heavier rails have been laid, better equipment has been developed, new terminal facilities have been installed, literally billions of dollars have been put into better and more efficient plant and equipment.

In the operating and, now methods have been developed for having cars available for loading whenever and wherever freight is ready to move—and for sorting and speeding freight cars through classification yards at a rate as high as 1 car in every 12 seconds. And as an example of how the railroads are equipping themselves to handle increased traffic, consider this fact: In the first six months of 1940, they placed in service more new freight cars than in any like period in the past ten years.

All of which shows that railroad men know their business—and are awake to their responsibilities.

As an essential arm of national defense the railroads should be strengthened and supported by sound and impartial public transportation policies.

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